

Table 26.—Percent of elementary school children whose parents are involved in education-related activities, by selected child, parent, and school characteristics: 1996

Characteristics of children, parents, and schools	Percent of children ¹ whose parents report that they did the following things in the past month—						Percent of children ² whose families have rules about—			Percent of children whose parents involved them in the following activities during the past week ¹				
	Visited a library	Went to a play, concert, or other live show	Visited an art gallery, museum, or historical site	Visited a zoo or aquarium	Talked about family history or ethnic heritage	Attended an event sponsored by a community, religious, or ethnic group	Time for bed on school nights	Amount of time child is allowed to watch television	Television programs child is allowed to watch	Told a story	Worked on art or crafts	Played a game or sport together	Built or made project or fixed something ³	Worked on household chores
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Total	48.7	32.5	21.2	15.7	56.4	53.3	97.2	80.0	92.0	70.4	67.0	91.3	65.0	96.5
Sex of child														
Male	48.5	30.3	20.6	15.3	55.8	52.6	97.8	80.3	92.0	69.8	64.2	91.9	66.6	96.1
Female	49.0	34.7	21.8	16.0	57.0	53.9	96.6	79.8	92.1	71.0	70.0	90.7	63.3	97.0
Race/ethnicity of child														
White, non-Hispanic	51.7	32.2	21.0	13.3	52.1	54.9	97.7	77.3	93.4	71.1	68.5	92.4	68.1	97.4
Black, non-Hispanic	43.9	38.1	22.2	21.6	69.5	54.6	97.3	88.5	90.8	66.9	63.5	92.5	59.6	97.0
Hispanic	38.9	26.6	19.6	19.3	58.4	44.3	95.1	83.5	88.0	70.0	63.3	84.7	56.9	91.8
Other, non-Hispanic	52.3	33.2	24.3	18.3	64.8	49.6	95.5	78.6	89.0	73.8	68.5	90.8	61.9	94.9
Highest education level of parents														
Less than high school	30.1	25.6	16.7	18.9	53.5	37.8	95.2	80.1	85.8	66.1	59.7	81.9	56.9	91.3
High school graduate	40.0	27.9	15.0	14.4	50.9	44.7	97.0	80.1	91.7	66.8	65.7	92.0	63.2	97.2
Some postsecondary	49.7	33.3	20.4	15.4	57.1	54.9	97.8	80.8	93.5	71.8	67.5	91.6	65.9	97.4
College graduate	60.1	35.8	27.3	16.3	59.5	63.6	97.7	77.7	93.3	72.7	71.1	93.9	69.1	96.7
Graduate/professional	65.3	41.6	32.5	16.3	65.4	67.2	97.2	81.0	92.6	75.4	69.0	92.5	68.2	96.3
Family Income														
Less than \$5,000	40.4	38.1	19.8	19.2	57.4	43.1	97.7	85.5	90.9	70.3	64.1	89.0	62.9	94.9
\$5,001 to \$10,000	37.2	27.3	16.1	17.0	58.2	41.9	93.6	81.0	88.7	67.1	67.3	89.3	60.4	95.9
\$10,001 to 15,000	37.3	29.6	16.8	15.6	57.5	48.0	95.8	78.1	88.7	65.3	60.9	86.6	53.6	95.2
\$15,001 to 20,000	41.1	25.7	13.9	16.8	55.7	47.0	98.0	79.2	89.8	66.7	60.5	88.5	64.8	97.1
\$20,001 to 25,000	42.3	30.8	20.9	14.9	58.2	48.4	97.3	82.1	93.3	73.1	64.5	91.8	62.1	95.6
\$25,001 to 30,000	43.3	27.1	17.7	16.0	54.6	50.4	97.1	80.3	90.5	69.3	67.1	91.7	65.1	95.2
\$30,001 to 35,000	50.5	30.0	21.3	15.9	54.4	56.9	98.1	78.6	91.4	72.0	69.3	92.4	68.1	97.7
\$35,001 to 40,000	56.4	32.6	17.3	13.2	53.5	55.8	97.8	81.3	95.0	71.8	69.3	92.4	70.0	96.8
\$40,001 to 50,000	55.1	32.7	21.1	13.2	54.1	58.3	98.6	80.1	93.9	69.2	69.6	93.5	66.6	97.7
\$50,001 to 75,000	55.5	33.3	25.1	13.4	54.9	59.7	97.8	78.9	94.4	71.7	68.5	92.0	67.3	97.5
Over \$75,000	59.6	42.6	31.4	19.0	60.5	62.2	97.3	77.7	92.2	73.9	70.0	93.8	68.8	96.6
Child attending public schools ⁴	48.3	31.7	19.9	14.7	57.1	51.9	97.3	79.9	91.5	66.7	64.4	90.5	63.9	97.3
Child attending private schools ⁴	58.2	37.2	27.8	16.9	61.3	66.9	96.3	79.6	95.5	74.2	67.2	91.7	70.9	96.5

¹ Includes children enrolled in nursery school through grade 5.

² Includes children enrolled in kindergarten through grade 5.

³ Includes children enrolled in 1st through 5th grade.

⁴ Excludes nursery school and home-schooled children.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Household Education Survey, 1996, unpublished data. (This table was prepared December 1998.)